## APPENDIX C

## ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AGC - Automatic Gain Control AGL - Above Ground Level AP - Anomalous Propagation

AWIPS - Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System

BAMEX - Bow Echo and MCV (Mesoscale Convective Vortices) Experiment

BWER - Bounded Weak Echo Region

CAPE - Conditional Available Potential Energy

CL - Classic Supercell (storm)

COMET - Cooperative Program for Operational Meteorology, Education and Training

CRPL - Central Radio Propagation Laboratory

dB - Decibel

dBZ - Radar Reflectivity Factor

DCAPE - Downdraft Conditional Available Potential Energy

DCZ - Deep Convergence Zone
DoC - Department of Commerce
DoD - Department of Defense

DoT - Department of Transportation

ERL - Environmental Research Laboratories

ETC - Extratropical Cyclone

FAA - Federal Aviation Administration

FAR - False Alarm Ratio FO - Forward Overhang

GARP - Global Atmospheric Research Program
GATE - GARP Atlantic Tropical Experiment

G/R - Gage/Radar

HP - High Precipitation supercell (storm)

I - Analog In Phase

ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization

ICMSSR - Interdepartmental Committee for Meteorological Services and Supporting

Research

IEEE - Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers

IR - Infrared (satellite data)

JDOP - Joint Doppler Operational Project JSPO - Joint System Program Office

LEWP - Line Echo Wave Pattern

LP - Low Precipitation Supercell (storm)

M - Mesocyclone Product

MARC - Mid Altitude Radial Convergence
MCC - Mesoscale Convective Complex
MCS - Mesoscale Convective System

MPDA - Multiple Pulse Repetition Frequency (PRF) Dealiasing Algorithm

MSCF - Master System Control Function

NEXRAD - Next Generation Weather Radar

NOAA - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NPC - NEXRAD Program Council

NSSFC - National Severe Storms Forecast Center NSSL - National Severe Storms Laboratory NTIS - National Technical Information Service

NWS - National Weather Service

OFCM - Office of the Federal Coordinator for Meteorological Services and Supporting

Research

PPI - Plan Position Indicator PRF - Pulse Repetition Frequency PRT - Pulse Repetition Time

Q - Quadrature

QLCS - Quasi Linear Convective Systems

R - Rainfall Rate in Z-R relationship

RDA - Radar Data Acquisition
rf - Radio Frequency
RFD - Rear Flank Downdraft
RIJ - Rear Inflow Jet

RPG - Radar Product Generator ROC - Radar Operations Center RPM, rpm - Revolutions Per Minute

S/C - Ratio of Signal Power to Clutter Power

SL - Severe Left-Moving Supercell

SNR - Signal-to-Noise Ratio

SR - Severe Right-Moving Supercell

SRR - Storm Relative Mean Radial Velocity Region Product

TVS - Tornadic Vortex Signature (in velocity data) and in the WSR -88D Product

UTC - Coordinated Universal Time

v - Velocity data

VAD - Velocity Azimuth Display, VAD Wind Profile product.

VCP - Volume Coverage Pattern

VIL - Vertically Integrated Liquid Product

VWP - Velocity Azimuth Display Wind Profile Product

W - Spectrum Width Data WER - Weak Echo Region

WSR-88D - Weather Surveillance Radar - 1988 Doppler

Z - Radar Reflectivity DataZ<sub>e</sub> - Equivalent Radar Reflectivity